



## Evelyn Ross

June 3, 1938 - December 7, 2017

Evelyn Ross, age 79 years, a resident of rural Vienna, passed away Thursday evening, December 7, 2017, at 8:30 PM at her home.

Evelyn was born June 3, 1938 in the Bloomfield Township (Johnson County) Illinois. She was the daughter of Shelby Remember and Mabel (Harner) Fairless.

On July 12, 1958, Evelyn was united in marriage to Richard Ross at the First Baptist Church in Vienna. He survives.

Additionally, Evelyn is survived by: her children – Mike (his wife, Christine) Ross of Vienna, Mitch (his wife, Linda) Ross of Vienna, Marshell (his wife, Jennie) Ross of Simpson and Mona (her husband, Mike) Reeder of Vienna; 13 grandchildren – Alex, Nathaniel, Gabriel, Josh, Patricia, Natosha, Savannah, Marrisa, Amber, Fayth, Randy, Rebecca, and Ryan; 3 great grandchildren – Jayden, Jaycie Ray, and Brylee; 2 brothers – Dr. Bill J. (his wife, Elizabeth) Fairless of New Burnside and Bobby (his wife, Katie) Fairless of Salt Lake City, Utah; Kimberly Shoemaker, who was a very special person to Evelyn; as well as a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and many dear friends. Evelyn was anticipating the birth of a great grandson in February 2018.

Evelyn was preceded in death by: her parents – Shelby Remember Fairless and Mabel Fairless Brooks; a brother – Shelby “Gene” Fairless and a sister – Peggy Sue Neeldes.

Evelyn is a 1957 graduate of Vienna High School. She was employed by Barber-Greene, Inc. in Aurora (a machinery manufacturing company). Additionally, Evelyn was a homemaker. She enjoyed “gatoring,” and fishing and particularly cherished time spent “raising” her grandchildren.

Evelyn was of the Baptist faith and had most recently attended Revelation Road Baptist Church near Buncombe.

A service honoring the life of Evelyn Ross will be conducted Sunday afternoon, December 10, 2017, at 2 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna. Pastor Scott Harner and Pastor Pete Vinson will officiate. Burial will be in the Church of God Cemetery north of Cypress. Visitation will be held Saturday evening, December 9, 2017, from 5 PM – 8 PM at Bailey Funeral Home in Vienna.

Memorials may be made to the Church of God Cemetery, c/o Lonnie & Judy Dunn, 460 State Route 37 North, Buncombe, IL 62912.

# Cemetery Details

## Church of God Cemetery

40 Church of God Road  
Vienna, IL

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC **9**. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bailey Funeral Home  
705 North First Street  
PO Box 695  
Vienna, IL 62995  
(618) 658-2311  
baileyfhinc@hotmail.com  
<https://baileyfh.com>

## Service

DEC **10**. 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Bailey Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Evelyn Ross



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**Bailey Funeral Home** - December 10, 2017 at 10:36 AM



“ Evelyn Ross

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January 30, 2023 at 12:19 AM



“ Pat Womack lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



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**pat womack** - December 12, 2017 at 05:22 PM



*Sorry to hear of Evelyn passing she was such a dear friend*

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**pat womack** - December 12, 2017 at 05:23 PM

SA

“ So sorry for your loss. Sarah Dale, Ross,  
Elliott



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**Sarah** - December 10, 2017 at 08:19 PM

JT

“ So sorry for your loss. I didn't know her well but she was always  
very kind and friendly to me when our paths crossed. I know she will  
be missed by all those who knew her well.

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**Joy (Necie Morris) Trammell** - December 10, 2017 at 01:57 PM

NW

“ Neal & Carol Watkins lit a candle in memory  
of Evelyn Ross



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**Neal & Carol Watkins** - December 10, 2017 at 09:38 AM

CT

“ It is because of Evelyn that I (and my sister, Denise) am a Christian. After moving to Illinois, Evelyn invited me (and Denise) to watch a movie depicting hell at the Vienna First Baptist Church. She told us if we would come she would take us to get ice cream at DQ afterward. Honestly, I went for the ice cream, a treat we didn't get a lot of. Haha.

*As a result of that movie, Denise and I gave our lives to Jesus.*

*My mom and Evelyn became very good friends afterwards. We went to Cypress Baptist Church. Mom and Evelyn hung out a lot. I remember, years before the Ross' moved into their brick home, we were over there. i was in the kitchen at the table when Evelyn tells mom, "Margie, you've got to see this new Pyrex cookware I just got. It's unbreakable"! With that, Evelyn holds up the baking dish and lets it fall to the floor where it shatters into a million pieces. I will never forget the look on Evelyn's face and the laughter that ensued. I have never laughed so much as with Evelyn.*

*When I heard about Evelyn's passing, my first thought was, "Mom and Evelyn are back together, again, cackling over that Pyrex bakeware."!*

*My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Maya Gods spirit surround you during this time.*

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**Cheryl Mason Thompson** - December 10, 2017 at 01:05 AM

TA

“ Terry And Sue Alsip lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



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**Terry and Sue Alsip** - December 10, 2017 at 12:21 AM

RS

“ *Rev. Richard & Vickey Swiney lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**Rev. Richard & Vickey Swiney** - December 09, 2017 at 10:45 PM

LK

“ *Linda Koehler lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**Linda Koehler** - December 09, 2017 at 10:26 PM

WD

“ *Wayne Dunn lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**wayne dunn** - December 09, 2017 at 03:11 PM

VA

“ *I met Evelyn in the 5th grade. I feel truly blessed to have known her all these years. She took me into her home for a couple months due to mama being very sick and me in a wheelchair. She treated me like family. Heaven gained a beautiful soul, she will truly never be forgotten.*

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**Vicky Akins** - December 09, 2017 at 12:05 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Evelyn Ross.*



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December 09, 2017 at 11:58 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Evelyn Ross.*



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December 09, 2017 at 10:02 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Evelyn Ross.*



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December 09, 2017 at 08:59 AM



“ *So sorry for your loss, prayers for the family.*

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**Patti Jobe** - December 09, 2017 at 01:01 AM

JS

“ *John & Nadene Slack sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**John & Nadene Slack** - December 09, 2017 at 12:33 AM

MC

“ *Evelyn was one of my very first friends from the time I was a baby. We remained friends throughout grade school and high school. I will always remember her as a dear friend. We were almost related as her grandfather (Uncle Bill) and my step-grandfather (Granddaddy Lance Fairless) were brothers. My sympathy to her family. She will be missed.*

*Marjorie Stewart Cullen*

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**Marjorie Stewart Cullen** - December 08, 2017 at 11:56 PM

JS

“ *Jim And Darlene Stevens lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**Jim and Darlene Stevens** - December 08, 2017 at 09:25 PM



“ Ashley Henderson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



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**Ashley Henderson** - December 08, 2017 at 08:34 PM



“ James And Diane Rainbolt lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



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**James and Diane Rainbolt** - December 08, 2017 at 08:25 PM



“ We love you so much Nana you was a very strong person and a very lovely lady I am blessed your not in pain anymore and flying high with the angles we will all miss you give my sister and all my other love ones a hug and a kiss I will see you when it's my time Rest In Peace Grandma I love you so so much



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**amber** - December 08, 2017 at 07:23 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Evelyn Ross.*



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December 08, 2017 at 06:07 PM



“ *Evelyn was a Lovely person, and a good friend . She will be sadly missed byfamily and friends. Our prayers are with her family*

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**Wm&Nancy Belford** - December 08, 2017 at 06:00 PM



“ *Billy & Glenna Stucker lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**Billy & Glenna Stucker** - December 08, 2017 at 05:20 PM



“ *Jim Harner lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



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**jim harner** - December 08, 2017 at 04:12 PM

JS

“*Heaven gained a special person. She has meant a lot to me and our family over the years. She will be missed. Each of you are in our prayers.*

Jennifer Shoemate - December 08, 2017 at 03:17 PM

RH

“*Rickey And Sue Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Ross*



rickey and sue harner - December 08, 2017 at 02:34 PM

JB

“*Ted and Joy Beggs*

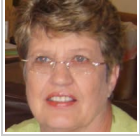


Joy Beggs - December 08, 2017 at 01:46 PM

BB

“*God has gained such a beautiful daughter of his. An example of what a truly virtuous Christian woman, wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, sister, mother-in-law, aunt & a true friend of all that new her. She always loved to show others, by her witness, what JOY can be obtained by knowing & serving her Savior, Jesus Christ. During this time of grief & always, I am sending prayers to my Lord to provide comfort & strength to each and everyone of her very loving family & loved ones.*

Beverly & Darrell ' Ducky ' Ballard - December 08, 2017 at 01:42 PM



“ My deepest sorrow is felt for each and everyone grieving the loss of this beautiful lady. May you find peace and solace knowing she is no longer in pain. My memories of Evelyn are so varied, but most of all, her gracious smile and infectious laugh shall remain with me forever. RIP sweet lady

Elaine Rotan - December 08, 2017 at 01:08 PM

KB

“ Kenny And Diane Baker lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



Kenny and Diane Baker - December 08, 2017 at 12:27 PM

CB

“ Carol Orange Bryant sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Ross



Carol Orange Bryant - December 08, 2017 at 11:58 AM

CB

*I'm so sorry My Thoughts and prayers for you all*

Carol Orange Bryant - December 08, 2017 at 11:59 AM

RB

“ *Rich And Karen Brumley lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



Rich and Karen Brumley - December 08, 2017 at 10:13 AM

CH

“ *Charles & Cindy Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Ross*



Charles & Cindy Harner - December 08, 2017 at 10:04 AM

CB

“ *Chris, Kim, Dallas, Beaner And Addison B sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Ross*



Chris, Kim, Dallas, Beaner and Addison B - December 08, 2017 at 09:53 AM

SR

“ *Sheri Robinson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross*



Sheri Robinson - December 08, 2017 at 08:52 AM

SH

“ So sorry for your loss. Praying for all of you.



Susie Henley - December 08, 2017 at 08:07 AM

JH

“ Justin & Tricia Hartline lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



Justin & Tricia Hartline - December 08, 2017 at 08:04 AM

PJ

“ Penny And Jeff Jordan lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



Penny and Jeff Jordan - December 08, 2017 at 07:56 AM

DH

“ Dallas And Charlene Harner sent a virtual gift in memory of Evelyn Ross



Dallas and Charlene Harner - December 08, 2017 at 07:49 AM

VB

“ Vonda Burnam lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



Vonda Burnam - December 08, 2017 at 07:44 AM

MR

“ Mike And Teresa Richerson lit a candle in memory of Evelyn Ross



Mike and Teresa Richerson - December 08, 2017 at 07:35 AM

MH

“ Prayers for the family. You sure will be missed.



Mary Lou Hynes - December 08, 2017 at 06:21 AM

MQ

“ Prayers for your family. You will be missed by many.



Michelle Quertermous - December 08, 2017 at 03:02 AM

PG

“ *Heaven truly gained an angel tonight. My friend fought a valiant fight and now is no longer in pain or suffering ! No one will ever be able to fill her shoes but she left behind a great legacy to carry on as she would have done! She will be greatly missed and I am truly blessed to have been her friend. RIP Evelyn and prayers for strength and guidance in the days ahead for her beloved family .*

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**Pam Green** - December 08, 2017 at 02:57 AM